Docket No. 31,534-03

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FILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.60(b)

This is a request for filing a

[] Continuation

[X] Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending application Serial

Number 07/836,679 filed on February 14,1992 of G.P. Dipoto (date) (inventor(s))

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for SUTURE ANCHOR AND DRIVER ASSEMBLY

1. Copy of Prior Application as Filed Which is Attached [X] I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of what is shown in my records to be the above identified prior application, including the Declaration originally filed (37 CFR 1.60).

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date <u>July 12, 1993</u> in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number <u>TB02742739X US</u> addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C 20231.

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(Signature) of person mailing paper)

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The copy of the papers of prior application as filed which are attached are as follows:

- [X] 21 page(s) of specification
- [X] 7 page(s) of claims
- [X] _ 1 page(s) of abstract
- [X] 9 sheet(s) of drawing
- [X] 1 copy of pages of declaration and power of attorney showing applicant's signature

2. Amendments

- [X] Cancel in this application original claims

 2, 3, 5, 7-17, 23-30, 32-35, and 38-41

 of the prior application before calculating the filing
 fee. (At least one original independent claim is
 retained for filing purposes.)
- [] A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following with the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
- 3. Petition for Suspension of Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment
 - Provided herewith is a Petition To Suspend Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File An Amendment (New Application Filed Concurrently)

4. Fee Calculation

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	BASIC FEE (\$710.00)
TOTAL CLAIMS	12 - 20 =	0	X \$22.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 - 3 =	0	X \$74.00	
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5. Drawing	S
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- [] Transfer the following sheet(s) of drawing from the prior application to this application:
- [] A copy of the amendment cancelling these sheets of drawing in the prior application is attached.
- [X] New drawings are enclosed
 - [X] formal
 - [] informal
- 6. Relate Back 35 U.S.C. 120
 - [X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

"This is a divisional of co-pending application Serial Number 07/836/679, filed on February 14, 1992."

7. Inventorship Statement

- (a) With respect to the prior copending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are):
 - [X] the same
 - [] less than those named in the prior application and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted:
- (b) The inventorship for all the claims in this application are
 - [X] the same
 - [] not the same, and an explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, is submitted.

8. Assignment

[X] The prior application is assigned of record (by all but one of the inventors) to

American Cyanamid Company

1937 West Main Street

P.O. Box 60

Stamford, CT 06904-0060

- [X] An assignment of the invention is attached.
- 9. Fee Payment being made at this time

[X] filing fee		\$ 710.00
[] recording assignment		\$
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10. Method of Payment of Fees:

Charge Deposit Account No. 01-1300 in the amount of \$710.00 A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

11. Instructions as to Overpayment:

(Attorney)

Credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-1300.

- 12. Power of Attorney
 - The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to

 Douglas E. Denninger 31,752

 (Attorney) (Reg. No.)

 William H. Calnan 29,520

 (Attorney) (Reg. No.)

 Brian R. Woodworth 33,137

 (Attorney) (Reg. No.)

 (Attorney) (Reg. No.)
 - a. [] The power appears in the original papers in the prior application

(Reg. No.)

- b. [] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. [] A new power has been executed and is attached.

d. [X] Address all	future communications to:
Douglas E.	<u>Denninger</u>
American Cy	anamid Company
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13. Maintenance of Copendency of	Prior Application
[] A petition, fee and r	esponse has been filed to extend
the term in the pendi	ng application until:
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[] A copy of the petitio	n for extension of time in the
prior application is	attached.
14. Conditional Petition for Ex	tension of Time in Prior
Application (Complete this	item and file conditional
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